

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 4, line 1 as follows.

--generating at least one index file for storing information indicating the configuration of said one or more data samples of said media file, said media file further comprising ~~image~~ additional information interspersed throughout said media file, wherein said ~~image~~ additional information describes at least one property of said data samples and allows for reconstruction of said index file upon corruption thereof.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 4, line 13 as follows.

--adding ~~image~~ additional information interspersed throughout said media file, said media file including said ~~image~~ additional information being readable by a media player corresponding at least to said first file format, wherein said ~~image~~ additional information describes at least a property of said data samples and allows for reconstruction of said index file upon corruption thereof.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 5, line 3 as follows.

--index file generation means for generating at least one index file for storing information indicating the configuration of said one or more data samples of said media file, said media file further comprising ~~image~~ additional information interspersed throughout said media file, wherein said ~~image~~ additional information describes at least one property of said data samples and allows for reconstruction of said index file upon corruption thereof.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 5, line 16 as follows.

--image information adding means for adding ~~image~~ additional information interspersed throughout said media file, said media file comprising said ~~image~~ additional information being readable by a media player corresponding at least to said first file format, wherein said ~~image~~ additional information describes at least one property of said data samples and allows for reconstruction of said index file upon corruption thereof.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 6, line 9 as follows.

--code for generating at least one index file for storing information indicating the configuration of said one or more data samples of said media file, said media file further comprising ~~image~~ additional information interspersed throughout said media file, wherein said ~~image~~ additional information describes at least one property of said data samples and allows for reconstruction of said index file upon corruption thereof.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 6, line 23 as follows.

--code for adding ~~image~~ additional information interspersed throughout said media file, said media file including said ~~image~~ additional information being readable by a media player corresponding at least to said first file format, wherein said ~~image~~ additional information describes at least one property of said data samples and allows for reconstruction of said index file upon corruption thereof.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 8, line 15 as follows.

--Fig. 19 is a flow diagram showing ~~is a flow diagram showing~~ a process for configuring a track;--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 15, line 19 as follows.

--The index file 205 contains all of the atoms that are specified for a QuickTime™ file. An atom, referred to as a track atom, stores each track (e.g. the tracks 213 and 215). A track associated with a particular track atom contains a pointer (e.g., the media file reference ~~213~~ 207) to a media file 200 that is referenced by the track.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 15, line 23 as follows.

--As seen in Fig. 2, each of the tracks 213 and 215 of the index file 205 also contains a sample-offset table 209 and 217, respectively. The tracks 213 and 215 store offsets to each sample (e.g. the sample 201) within the associated media file 200. Each of the tracks 213 and 215 of the index file 205 also contains a sample size table 211 and 219, respectively. The sample size tables 211 and ~~218~~ 219 store the size of the samples contained in the associated media file 200.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 19, line 21 as follows.

--The process 500 begins at step 501 where the processor 2305 initialises a media file 200 and an associated index file 205, in the hard disk drive 2310, to be used for video

data captured by the camera 110. As described above, the index file 205 includes at least one associated track (e.g. the tracks 213 and 215). The tracks 213 and 215 include a reference 207 and/or ~~205~~ 208 to the associated media file 200, respectively. The tracks 213 and 215 also include a sample-offset table 209 and 217, respectively, for storing offsets to each sample to be added to the media file 200. The tracks 213 and 215 also comprise a sample size table 211 and 219, respectively, for storing the size of each sample added to the media file 200. The process of step 501 will be described in detail below with reference to the flow diagram of Fig. 6.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 25, line 1 as follows.

--The process of step 605 continues at the next step 907, where the sample tables 209 and 211 are initialised for the created track structure. Then at step 909, the processor 2305 initialises an empty edit list, which can be used to arrange the media file sample structure into a time sequence. The process of step 605 concludes at the next step 911 where a media file reference ~~209~~ 207 is written to the track structure created at step 901 in order to reference the associated media file 200. The process of step 911 will be described in more detail below with reference to Fig. 10.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 25, line 9 as follows.

--The process of step 911 will now be described with reference to Fig. 10. The process of step 911 is preferably implemented as software resident in the hard disk drive 2310 and being controlled in its execution by the processor 2305. The process of step 911 begins at

the first step 1001 where if the processor 2305 determines that the media file 200, referenced by the media file reference, is in AVI™ format then the process proceeds to step 1003. Otherwise, the process of step 911 ~~concludes~~ proceeds to step 1009. At step 1003, the processor 2305 creates an AVI™ sample header structure using a track structure reference supplied by the processor 2305. Then at the next step 1005, the processor 2305 writes the sample header structure to a header area of the media file 200, configured within the hard disk drive 2310. At the next step 1007, the processor 2305 adds a reference for the AVI™ sample header to the tracks (213 or 215) of the index file 205 indicated by the track structure reference parameter. The process of step 911 concludes at the next step 1009 where the processor 2305 adds a reference for the media file 200 to ~~each of the track 213 and or~~ 215, as the media file reference 207.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 27, line 9 as follows.

--At the next step 1203, if the processor 2305 determines that the sample contains any events, then the process proceeds to step 1205. Otherwise, the process proceeds to step 1207. At step 1205, the text track 215 (indicated by the track structure reference parameter for the text track 215) of the index file 205 is configured for an event ~~stream~~ string. At step 1207, the text track 215 is configured for a non-event ~~stream~~ string. The process of steps 1205 and 1207 will be described in more detail below with reference to Fig. 19.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 28, line 16 as follows.

--At step 1415, the processor 2305 writes a data chunk based on the detected sample to the media file 200. The process of step 1301 concludes at the next step 1417 where the AVI™ index of the index file 205 is updated with a reference to the ~~custom~~ sample data chunk stored in the media file 200.--

Please amend the paragraph starting at page 28, line 21 as follows.

--The process of step 1303 will now be described with reference to the flow diagram of Fig 15. The process is preferably implemented as software resident in the hard disk drive 2310 and being controlled in its execution by the processor 2305. The process of step 1303 begins at the first step 1501 where the sample offset indicated by a sample offset parameter and sample size parameter, of the sample detected at step 505, is written to the sample table structure (i.e. the sample offset tables 209 or 217 and the sample size table 211 or 219) of the index file 205 track (i.e., either the video track 213 or the text track 215). At the next step 1503, if the sample is the first sample to be associated with the track then the process continues at the next ~~then~~ step 1505. Otherwise, the process of step 1303 proceeds to step 1507.--